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E.O. 11652:N/A

TAGS:SREF,HA

SUBJECT: HAITIANS AT GUANTANAMO

1. FOLLOWING ARE GUIDELINES FOR RESPONDING TO PRESS INQUIRIES CONCERNING HAITIAN REFUGEES AT GUANTANAMO NAVY BASE, CUBA: AFTER EXTENSIVE SCREENING BY DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND INS REFUGEE EXPERTS, 94 OF THE HAITIAN REFUGEES, WHO ARRIVED AT GUANTANAMO AUGUST 10, WILL BE LIFTED BACK TO HAITI UNDER NORMAL U.S. DEPORTATION PROCEDURES. THE AIRLIFT IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE PORT-AU-PRINCE WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. THE REFUGEES ARE ACCOMPANIED AND WILL BE MET BY U. S. STATE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS WHO HAVE ARRANGED WITH GOVERNMENT OF HAITI TO EXPEDITE REENTRY PROCEDURES. REMAINING REFUGEES MAY HAVE SOME CLAIMS TO POLITICAL REFUGEE STATUS AND WILL BE FURTHER PROCESSED TO MAKE SUCH DETERMINATION.

2. GOVERNMENT OF HAITI ASSURED THE U. S. GOVERNMENT THAT THE REFUGEES WOULD SUFFER NO ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES FOR RETURNING AND THE U-S. GOVERNMENT WILL MAKE EFFORTS TO  
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MONITOR THE WELLBEING OF THESE REFUGEES. CHRISTOHER

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